

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An optical connector includes a base member having a first hollow bore extending from a first end toward a second end, and a recess coaxially aligned with the first hollow bore. The recess has a first internal perimeter and a second internal perimeter. The first perimeter is smaller than said second perimeter. The base member can have a post extending up from a bottom of the recess. The first hollow bore passes through the post and terminates at an end of the post. The post can have an end that terminates substantially in alignment with at least a portion of a termination region disposed between the first internal perimeter and the second internal perimeter.

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